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SUBJECT	1. The Senior Aero-Mechanic and Maritime Professional Training School, Foochow 2. Suspension of General Education Courses, Amoy	DATE DISTR.	30 October 1953
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1. [REDACTED] the Senior Aero-Mechanic and Maritime Professional Training School was located on Huan Ch'eng (3883/1004) Road, Foochow. Prior to 1950 this institution was known as the Ch'in Kung (0530/1562) School. When the Communists took over the school, it was moved from Mawei (N 26-00, E 119-26) to Foochow and renamed.
2. The total area of the school grounds was approximately 30 mou, one third of which was used for lodgings and the rest for classrooms. There were approximately 30 buildings on the campus, all of which were rented from civilians. The class buildings were brick and two stories high.
3. The school was run by the Education Department¹ of the Fukien Government. There were approximately 400 students at the school, about two-thirds of whom were from Foochow. Entrance examinations were given to candidates. A primary school graduate could take the examination for entrance to a six-year course. The tuition per semester was 40 catties of rice or the equivalent in cash. Students paid full tuition, half tuition, one third tuition, or no tuition at all. The selection of those students who were to be wholly or partially exempted from tuition payments rested with each class; final approval for the selections came from the Teachers' Committee.
4. The officers of the school were as follows:
 - a. The principal was CH'EN Chung-hsin (7115/6945/2450), who was over 50 years old and a resident of the West Gate area, Foochow. CH'EN was a professor at the Mawei Naval Academy for more than ten years.

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- b. The dean was HSIEH Chih-ch'ing (6200/3098/3237).
 - c. The head tutor was K'O Tsai-shih (2688/0961/1395).
 - d. The chief of the General Affairs Section, was CH'EN Yao (7115/5069).
 - e. The chief accountant was YEH (5509) (fnu).
 - f. The chief of the Physical Training Section was YU Meng-liang (1429/1322/5328). Instructor in the Physical Training Section was WANG T'ing-sheng (3769/2185/3932).
 - g. The political instructors were TS'AI Chu-ling (5591/4376/7881), a graduate of Hsieh Ho (0588/0735) Medical College; YU Jih-min (0151/2480/3046); and WANG Sun-ti (3769/1327/2769). YU and WANG are both graduates of the Revolutionary University.
 - h. Members of the navigation faculty were CH'EN Tsu-hsiang (7115/4371/3276), LIN Liang-mou (2651/5328/4924), and CH'EN Liang-ts'ao (7115/5328/2580).
 - i. Members of the marine engineering faculty were HSU T'ung-fan (6079/2717/5672) and LIN Shan-liu (2651/0810/7511).
 - j. Members of the aero-mechanics faculty were LIN Yu (2651/5038) and SHIH Sheng-te (2457/4141/1795).
 - k. CHENG Tse-luan (6774/0463/7019) was on the ship-building faculty.
5. The navigation faculty had two classes of three-year students, each class numbering about 30 students. In this course astronomy, geography, algebra, analytical geometry, calculus, sailing practice, shipping technique, trigonometry, shipboard affairs, ship-building, marine signals, Chinese literature, history and political science were taught. Graduates might be assigned to the navy or to a merchant vessel.
 6. The marine engineering faculty had two classes of six-year students totalling about 70 students, and two classes of three-year students totalling about 60 students. Subjects taught in this course included engine-room management, heat power, strength of materials, applied mechanics, machine-shop practice, ship-building, algebra, analytical geometry, calculus, physics, chemistry, shipboard affairs, mechanical drawing, English, history, Chinese literature, and geography. There were also courses in diesel engines, steam engines, internal and external combustion engines, airplane engines, lathes, shapers, drilling machines, bench work, pattern work, and foundry work. After graduation the marine engineering students were apprenticed for two years to a ship or factory. Following that, they could take the examination for an engineer's license and become third engineers aboard ships from 200 tons to 5,000 tons in size.
 7. The aero-mechanics faculty had two six-years classes totalling about 70 students and one class of three-year students numbering about 40 students. The course of study was much like that of the navigation and marine engineering faculties. Laboratory equipment included one airplane motor and various airplane parts.
 8. The ship-building faculty had one class of about 40 three-year students and one class of about 40 six-year students.

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25X1A 9. There were no air defenses or troops at the school.

10. [REDACTED] all schools above the level of high school in Amoy were ordered by the Chinese Communist authorities to suspend the enrollment of students seeking general education courses in the spring semester. These schools were instructed to extend education and training to technical personnel only.

25X1A 1. [REDACTED] Comment. Presumably this is the Culture and Education Department of the Fukien Provincial Government.

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